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TAGS: OREP (STEVENSON, ADLAI)

SUBJECT: CODEL STEVENSON - MEETING WITH FAHMY

1. SENATOR ADLAI STEVENSON, ACCOMPANIED BY AMBASSADOR, MET WITH FOREIGN MINISTER FAHMY FOR ABOUT AN HOUR DURING VISIT TO CAIRO FEBRUARY 12. SENATOR BEGAN CONVERSATION BY POSING QUESTION: "WHAT ARE NEXT STEPS IN THE MIDDLE EAST?" HE EXPLAINED THAT HE HAD BEEN AGAINST STEP-BY-STEP APPROACH AND HAD VOTED AGAINST THE SINAI SUPPORT MISSION BECAUSE HE BELIEVED THAT IT WOULD ONLY MEAN STAGNATION OF SITUATION. FAHMY SAID HE TOO HAD OPPOSED STEP-BY-STEP APPROACH BUT GOE HAD TO ACCEPT IT BECAUSE IT WAS BEST USG ABLE TO DO AT THE TIME. NEXT MOVE IS UP TO US. HE THOUGHT FIRST THING NEEDED IS A SECOND DISENGAGEMENT ON THE GOLAN HEIGHTS AND THEN RECONVENING OF GENEVA CONFERENCE.

2. FAHMY APPEALED FOR ARMS ASSISTANCE, CITING ITS IMPORTANCE TO EGYPT IN LIGHT OF THE FACT THAT SOVIETS HAVE CUT OFF ALL SHIPMENTS OF SPARE PARTS TO EGYPT. CODEL SAID THAT HE SUPPORTS ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE AND BELIEVES THAT SENATE IS BEGINNING TO UNDERSTAND THE NECESSITY OF MILITARY SALES FOR EGYPT. HE INDICATED HE WOULD SUPPORT SOME MILITARY ASSISTANCE. FAHMY ASSURED HIM THAT, IF REQUIRED, EGYPT COULD OBTAIN CASH TO PAY FOR ARMS FROM OTHER ARAB COUNTRIES.

3. CODEL ALSO RAISED SUBJECT OF HIS PENDING BOYCOTT LEGISLATION, CONFIDENTIAL

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EXPLAINING THAT IT ONLY REQUIRED PUBLIC DISCLOSURE AND IMPOSED NO

RESTRICTIONS ON AMERICAN TRADE WITH ARABS EXCEPT WITH RESPECT TO TERTIARY BOYCOTT, I.E., SEEKING TO PREVENT AMERICAN FIRM FROM DEALING WITH ANOTHER AMERICAN FIRM. HE SAID THAT IN PRESENT ELECTION YEAR, WITH PRESSURE GROWING FOR SOME KIND OF ANTI-BOYCOTT LEGISLATION, HIS IS THE MOST RESPONSIBLE LEGISLATION TO COME OUT. HE WARNED THAT OTHER LEGISLATION MIGHT BE QUOTE UNFRIENDLY UNQUOTE. HE SAID THERE IS NO UNFRIENDLY INTENT IN HIS BILL, AND STRESSED REPUGNANCY OF THE TERTIARY BOYCOTT. FAHMY COMMENTED THAT TIMING IS BAD. WHY HE ASKED, INTRODUCE THIS ELEMENT INTO THE SITUATION NOW, COULD IT NOT BE DELAYED? CODEL ADMITTED ELECTION YEAR WAS A FACTOR DICTATING THE TIMING, BUT SAID THAT HE WAS WILLING CONSIDER SOME DELAY, POSSIBLY A FEW MONTHS, BUT PROBABLY NO LATER THAN SEPTEMBER SINCE SESSION ENDS IN OCTOBER.

4. CODEL THEN INQUIRED ABOUT NUCLEAR COOPERATION AGREEMENT. FAHMY SAID THAT THERE ARE NO TECHNICAL PROBLEMS AND EGYPT IS WILLING TO ACCEPT ALL THE SAFEGUARDS REQUIREMENTS. PROBLEM REALLY IS WHETHER EGYPTIAN AGREEMENT CAN GO FORWARD ALONE OR WHETHER THERE MUST ALSO BE AN AGREEMENT WITH ISRAEL. CODEL SAID THAT SUCH AGREEMENT DOES NOT REQUIRE CONGRESSIONAL APPROVAL; CONGRESS ONLY HAS A CHANCE TO OBJECT. HE GAVE NO OPINION REGARDING NECESSITY OF SUBMITTING BOTH EGYPTIAN AND ISRAELI AGREEMENTS AT SAME TIME.

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